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In response to the Office Action of August 30, 2002, please enter the following remarks. The following remarks are submitted under Rule 1.116 (a) and (b) as being in response to new arguments and new grounds of rejection to which applicant has not previously had the opportunity to respond.

## REMARKS

Applicant wishes to express his appreciation for the courtesy extended to applicant's counsel during the recent telephone interviews, of August 19-20 and 23, 2002. The allowance of claims 6 - 16 is noted, with appreciation.

Reconsideration of the rejection of claim 1 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, is respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's holding that the claim is indefinite. The language employed in the claim is expressly